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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6795

BILL NUMBER: HB 1229

DATE PREPARED: Feb 12, 2001

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Delivery of Enrolled Acts.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows the Legislative Services Agency to fulfill its responsibility to distribute the enrolled acts to the clerks of circuit court by distributing electronic copies of the enrolled acts. The bill provides that a circuit court clerk may inform the Legislative Services Agency whether the clerk prefers a hard paper copy or an electronic copy, and requires the Legislative Services Agency, if a clerk expresses a preference, to deliver the enrolled acts to the clerk in the form preferred by the clerk. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Code Revision Commission.)

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill will result in a decrease in costs incurred by the Legislative Services Agency (LSA) for the paper and postage required to distribute the enrolled acts to the counties in hard copy form. The bill is expected to reduce LSA's administrative costs by approximately \$3,400.

Postage Costs: If LSA chooses UPS to mail the diskettes, as it has in the past, to mail the hard copies of the enrolled acts, the cost would be \$3.11 per pound. (UPS does not deal with ounces). It would cost approximately \$143 to mail the diskettes by UPS to 46 counties.

Based on the estimated number of pages of the enrolled acts, UPS would be expected to charge approximately \$6.75 per set to deliver hard copies of the enrolled acts to all 92 counties, for a total of approximately \$621. If diskettes, rather than hard copies, are sent to half of the counties, shipping costs are estimated to be reduced by approximately \$168.

Printing and Processing: The 2001 Enrolled Acts are expected to require the space available on three to four diskettes. If 46 counties request the 2001 Enrolled Acts in this form, it is estimated that 138 to 184 diskettes would be required, at a cost of \$138-\$184.

It is estimated that the 2001 Enrolled Acts will consist of 3,000 pages. Because the cost per impression for the mass duplication of the documents is \$0.0225, it is expected to cost \$67.50 to copy each set of enrolled acts, or \$6,210 for all 92 counties $[(3,000 \times \$0.0225) \times 92]$. The estimated savings in printing costs realized by sending a hard copy of the enrolled acts to only 46 of the 92 counties is approximately \$3,105 $(\$6,210/2)$.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency.

Local Agencies Affected: Circuit Court Clerks.

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